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POLICE FORCE,
(DETECTIVE BRANCH)

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Sir,

A meeting of the members of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce was arranged to be held on the 17th inst at the Guild on North Homan Road. They were to meet four representatives of the Rebel party to discuss ways and means to raise further funds for repatriation purposes. About 80 rebels came on the scene and as the majority of them had no standing the meeting was not held but, after much talk, a few of the leaders were interviewed by Yu Ya Ching 虞哈群, Tsu Pau San 朱保三 Sung Li Paung 沈解芳 and Koo Shung Yih 顧隆一 all prominent business men who promised to communicate with Peking about the matter and also to ask General Yang to postpone the date for the distribution of the repatriation funds. It appears that this decision was not reached until threats of making trouble had been made by the rebels present. A committee meeting of the Chamber will be held to-day at 8 p.m.

The rebels held another meeting at 71 Pau Kong Lee 宝康里 Frenchtown at 8 p.m. on the 17th inst. They all decided not to present themselves on the date for the payment of repatriation funds and to refuse to participate in the distribution until the fund was put on a more liberal financial basis.

A regiment of the 4th Division now stationed at Loongwha will be transferred to Sungkiang to-day while a regiment from Sungkiang will come to Loongwha.

Your Obedient Servant,

Chief Detective Inspector.

Captain Superintendent of Police.